



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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August 29, 2008

Lisa Le, Treasurer  
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**Response Due Date:**  
**September 29, 2008**

Identification Number: C00433227

Reference: July Quarterly Report (4/1/08-6/30/08)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 2 items:

1. Schedule H3 of your report discloses a transfer(s)-in from a non-federal account(s) for "Voter Drive" which appears to exceed the permissible amount(s) indicated by your allocation ratio for this activity/event. Please be advised that transfers for allocated activity must not exceed the non-federal share of the joint disbursements and that these transfers must be made within a 70-day time period: no more than 10 days before or 60 days after payment to the vendor. 11 CFR §§106.6(e)(2) and 106.7(f)(2) Please clarify the nature of this transfer(s)-in from the non-federal account.

The Commission recommends that you immediately transfer the total excessive amount received by your federal account back to your non-federal account. Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning this prohibited activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule E supporting Line 24 of your report discloses an independent expenditure(s) on behalf of Barack Obama which appears to have been publicly disseminated or distributed after the primary date(s) in the respective state(s). Please be advised that if a communication is aired in one reporting period and the payment is made in a later reporting period,

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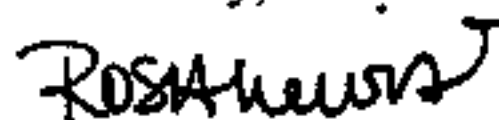
the independent expenditure should be reported as a memo entry on Schedule E when the communication is publicly disseminated or distributed, and on a Schedule D if it is a reportable debt under 11 CFR §104.11. When the payment for the independent expenditure is made, the report should show a payment on Schedule E and the same payment on Schedule D, if applicable.

Please amend your report to provide further clarifying information regarding the independent expenditures disclosed after the primary date(s).

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1152.

Sincerely,



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